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DIARY

Friday, 27 February 1953

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1. Sent General Smith a copy of a letter which Mr. Dulles received from Mr. Philip Jessup, recommending [REDACTED] General Smith is interested in considering [REDACTED] for his secretary.

2. Supplied Messrs. Dulles and Wisner with pertinent information on the CIA Credit Union. [REDACTED] telephoned later to say that Mr. Dulles would like to put \$500 in the Credit Union. I will arrange to have [REDACTED] take care of this as soon as he returns.

3. Did some exploration for Mr. Dulles concerning Major General Greaves Erskine of the Marine Corps, who is apparently being considered as a replacement for General McGruder. I reported to Mr. Dulles that [REDACTED] knew General Erskine and thought he was one of the outstanding Marine Corps Officers and was considered along with General Shephard as a possibility for Commandant of the Marine Corps.

4. Walter Pforzheimer reports that Senator Saltonstall's Armed Services Committee has turned over construction projects to a Subcommittee consisting of: Senator Case (R), South Dakota, Chairman; Senator Duff (R), Pennsylvania, Member; Senator Stennis (D), Mississippi, Member. In order to get Project [REDACTED] through, it may be necessary to brief this Subcommittee. I will clear this with Mr. Dulles. (Did - 28 February 1953).

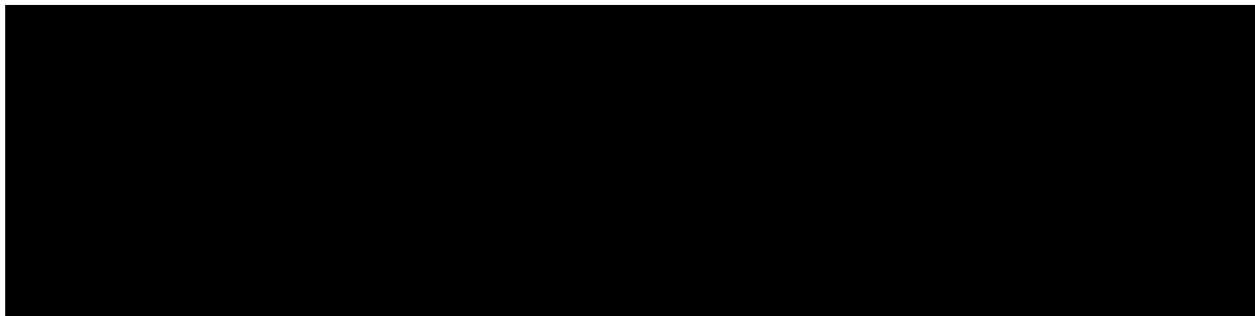
5. At the Deputies Meeting Mr. Dulles reported that he had had breakfast with General Donovan and that General Donovan would be here at 1630 on Tuesday for a briefing in the conference room. Mr. Dulles requested that [REDACTED] Lofty Becker or Bob Amory, Huntington Sheldon, Sherman Kent, and [REDACTED] be there. General Donovan is in town to testify before the Jackson Committee, and Mr. [REDACTED] has been requested to get a copy of his testimony if possible.

6. Mr. Dulles raised the question of our cooperation with the American Legion and was told by everyone concerned that our relations with them were excellent.

7. There was some discussion of [REDACTED] and Sherman Kent are mentioned. It was decided to make no comment on the book and to ignore it as much as possible.

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10. At [redacted]'s request and recommendation, I authorized an advance of \$5,000 to Project [redacted]. The contract written for the principal agent said that we would "reimburse" him and did not provide for advances. The Division feels that this is a technical error which will require a new contract, in that otherwise the Company represented by the agent is obligated to make an outlay of its own money for our convenience. I authorized the advance with the definite assurance that a new contract would be written without delay.

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11. Bob Amory telephoned from the Senior Staff Meeting of the National Security Council to inquire as to whether we could employ Lieutenant General [redacted] is investigating this for me, and I will have a report for Bob tomorrow.

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12. Shaf Edwards reports that the committee, on which he has been representing the Agency in the consideration of a certain gadget found in [redacted] abroad, has requested that we purchase 50-100 sets of a counter device at a cost of about \$2,000. TSS is undertaking to do this with the funds they have available in the [redacted] Program.

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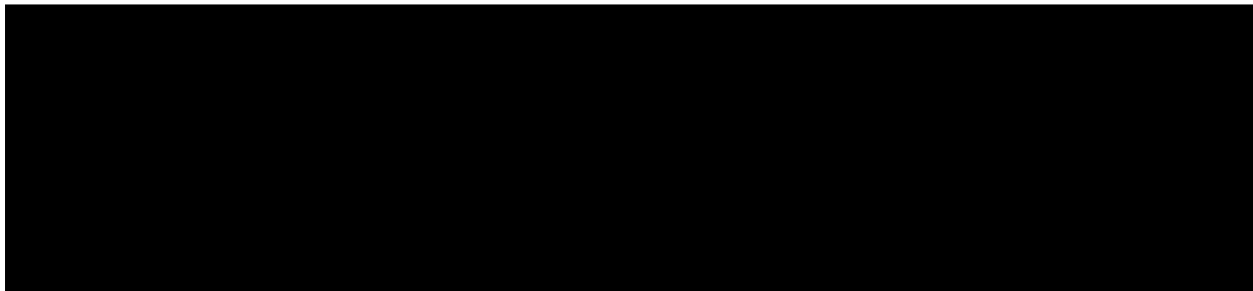
13. I attended the Project Review Committee Meeting at which the following projects were recommended for approval:

a. Additional funds for Project UT "Unclassified translation, Foreign Documents Division, Office of Operations"--\$63,000 for the remainder of Fiscal Year 1953.

b. Geological Study of Ore Deposits critical to the Soviet Atomic Energy Program--OSI Project asking for \$37,000 to implement this study during Fiscal Year 1953 and \$107,000 for Fiscal Year 1954.

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1. Approved Agent Cashier Advance Account of [REDACTED]
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2. Wrote a letter to AD/P about Personnel Evaluation Reports advising them of the action I had taken in connection with information given Deputy Directors and Office Heads on these reports.
3. Signed the notice on "1953 American Red Cross Campaign" and sent it over to [REDACTED] for publication
4. ~~Sent OUL 88200 to Auditor-in-Chief~~

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